Legal Notice

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) intends to employ a consulting engineering firm to provide engineering services utilizing a Cost plus Fixed Fee, Labor Hour/Unit Price or Lump Sum/Firm Fixed Price contract to provide design for the widening of approximately 10 miles of US 90 from SR 609 to Dolphin Drive, Project No. NH-0003-01(186)/106325-101000, Jackson County. This contract will include Phase A right-of-way plans and Phase B final construction plans for the project to include profile grades, roadway hydraulics, roadway lighting, the determination of required right-of-way limits, plan-profile sheets, intersection details, earthwork quantities, pavement typical sections and details, traffic control, erosion control, traffic signal plans, signing plans, supplemental surveying, other specified plan details resulting from the environmental studies, and plan quantities for all items necessary for the completion of final construction plans for this project. Upon selection, negotiation, and execution of contract, the MDOT anticipates the duration of the project to be approximately 18 months for Phase A and 12 months for Phase B.

Consulting engineering firms interested in providing these services may so indicate by furnishing the Department **seven (7) copies** of an Expression of Interest which should consist of the following:

1. A cover letter specifying the name and complete description of the project, the name of the project manager, and the location and address of the managing office;

2. A resume for each principal member, the project manager, and employee(s) of the firm anticipated to be assigned to the project. Also, provide a team organizational chart and list each person's experience and qualifications, including proof that the Project Manager is licensed as a Mississippi Professional Engineer and that the firm has met state licensure and certification requirements**. The team organizational chart should include each individual's name, job description (for the project), and company of employment.

3. A description of similar type work completed during the past five (5) years which qualifies the consultant for this work. Please provide a detailed description of the role of the consultant and define whether the consultant was the prime or a subconsultant. Include in the description the amount of the consultant's contract for the work they provided for the project, the date the project was initiated, the schedule completion date in accordance with the progress schedule, and the actual completion date. If the project was not completed on-time, identify any justifications. The firm should provide contact information for each of the projects. This will include the name of the client's and client's representative that can verify and discuss the project;

4. Part II of Standard Form (SF) 330, Architect-Engineer Qualifications. This Form can be obtained at http://sp.gomdot.com/Consulting%20Services/Forms/Standard%20Form%20(SF)%20330,%20Part%20II.pdf. Interested firms without internet access may obtain this information by contacting Scot Ehrgott at (601)359-7536; and,

5. A response containing the information upon which the consultant will be evaluated (see below).

The Department will evaluate the Expressions of Interest based on the following factors listed in their relative order of importance: Experience, performance, and qualifications of the team's staff; Consultant's (and any subconsultant's) past experience, performance, and qualifications on Roadway Design Projects with MDOT and/or other clients; Consultant's past performance and experience in achieving agreed project delivery schedules; Consultant's (and any subconsultant's) past experience, performance, and qualifications on Traffic Engineering Projects with MDOT and/or other clients; Location/proximity of the consultant's (and any subconsultant's) office(s); and Quality of Proposal.

To be considered, the "Expression of Interest" proposal must respond to all requirements of this legal ad and any addenda. The recommended proposal length should not exceed twenty five (25) pages, exclusive of

appendices. The resumes, SF-330 Part II, proof of State Licensure and certificates requirements, and other information not relevant to the requirements should be included in the appendices. The Consultant's cover letter, table of contents, summaries and introductions, team organizational chart, past performances, & responses to the evaluation criteria should be included in the 25 pages. Pages should be numbered, single-spaced, one-sided, 8.5" by 11" with margins of at least one inch on all four sides. No more than five pages may be 11" by 17", but they may count as two sheets each against the recommended 25 page maximum. Information within the recommended 25 page limit of the proposal should be complete and sufficient in scope for the selection committee to evaluate the Consultant. Also, all text information in the recommended 25 page limit should be shown in a readable font, size 12 points or larger. Headers, charts, and other graphics may be provided in a different font type and size providing they are legible. Section dividers, tabs, or similar means are recommended but are not counted as part of the recommended 25 page limit. These recommendations will be considered when evaluating the quality of proposal.

The MDOT reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, discontinue contract execution, and/or request additional information with any party at any time prior to final contract execution.

The MDOT reserves the right to obtain references from any source listed in the PROPOSAL and any other source deemed appropriate for any of the requirements/criteria listed in this legal notice.

All questions related to this solicitation shall be e-mailed to the addressee below:

Scot Ehrgott, P.E.,
MDOT Director of Consultant Services
e-mailed to sehrgott@mdot.state.ms.us
and copy srone@mdot.state.ms.us

Only written requests e-mailed to the above addressee will be considered. No requests for additional information or clarification to any other MDOT office, consultant, or employee will be considered. All responses and addenda will be in writing and will be posted to the MDOT website (http://sp.gomdot.com/Consulting%20Services/Pages/LegalAdvertisements.aspx) no later than 7 days prior to the submittal deadline. The submission deadline for questions will be 10 days prior to the submittal deadline. Consultants shall be solely responsible for checking the website for updates. The MDOT will not be responsible for any oral exchange or any exchange of information that occurs outside the official process specified herein.

The MDOT reserves the right to select one (1) consultant or select a short list of consultants from whom more information will be required.

The DBE goal is 3%.

CONSULTANTS may visit MDOTs website, www.gomdot.com, to view a complete list of "Certified DBE Firms" which have been certified as such by the Mississippi Department of Transportation and other Unified Certification Partners (UCP). The DBE firm must be on the Department's list of "Certified DBE firms" as listed on MDOT's website, www.gomdot.com and approved by MDOT to count towards meeting the DBE goal.

To be considered, all replies must be received by 5:00 p.m., Central Time, Friday, December 14, 2012, in the Office of the Director of Consultant Services, Scot Ehrgott, mail code 90-01, Mississippi Department of Transportation Building, 401 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201.

This Legal Notice will appear in the Clarion Ledger on November 7th and 14th, 2012.

The Mississippi Transportation Commission and the Mississippi Department of Transportation are equal opportunity employers.

*Miss. Code Ann Sections 73-13-1 through 73-13-45 (1972) (as amended) govern the practice of engineering in Mississippi. Firms are encouraged to contact the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors at (601) 359-6160 to insure that individuals and firms are qualified to offer and provide services in the State of Mississippi. The Board's web address is www.pepls.state.ms.us.